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1. REF A STATED CONTINUING DOD NEED FOR PHILIPPINE LORAN A

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CHAIN UNTIL 31 DEC 77.

2. REF B STATED COGARD'S EVALUATION THAT US COULD NOT PRESENTLY EXPECT GOP TO INDEPENDENTLY OPERATE CHAIN AT MINIMUM STANDARDS REQUIRED BY DOD, AND URGED TIMELY EXTENSION OF US-GOP LORAN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT.

3. IN ORDER TO MEET THESE NEEDS IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO SEEK AN EXTENSION OF THE USG-GOP EXCHANGE OF NOTES OF NOVEMBER 3 AND DECEMBER 15, 1975, TIAS 8204, GOVERNING OPERATION OF LORAN A STATIONS. THAT AGREEMENT IS DUE TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 1976, BUT BY ITS TERMS QUOTE MAY BE EXTENDED BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS UNQUOTE. EMBASSY IS THEREFORE REQUESTED TO NEGOTIATE AND CONCLUDE AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES WITH THE GOP EXTENDING THE 1975 AGREEMENT FOR ONE YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 1977. A DRAFT TEXT IS

SET FORTH BELOW FOR THIS PURPOSE.

4. DRAFT TEXT OF PROPOSED EXCHANGES OF NOTES IS AS FOLLOWS:

THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE RECENT DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS REGARDING THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF LONG RANGE AID TO NAVIGATION (LORAN) STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES, EFFECTED BY AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES AT MANILA DATED NOVEMBER 3 AND DECEMBER 15, 1975. IN THE COURSE OF THOSE DISCUSSIONS, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS CONCURRED IN THE DESIRABILITY OF EXTENDING THE AFOREMENTIONED AGREEMENT FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 1977, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS TERMS.

ACCORDINGLY, THE EMBASSY HAS THE HONOR TO PROPOSE THAT THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF LONG RANGE AID TO NAVIGATION (LORAN) STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES EFFECTED BY AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES DATED NOVEMBER 3 AND DECEMBER 15, 1975 BE EXTENDED FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 1977.

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IF THE FOREGOING IS ACCEPTABLE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, THE EMBASSY HAS THE FURTHER HONOR TO PROPOSE THAT THIS NOTE, TOGETHER WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S NOTE IN REPLY INDICATING CONCURRENCE, SHALL CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT, EFFECTIVE AS OF JANUARY 1, 1977.

THE EMBASSY AVAILS ITSELF, ETC.

5. ANY SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO ABOVE TEXT ARISING IN
COURSE OF NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO DEPARTMENT
FOR APPROVAL PRIOR TO CONCLUSION OF EXCHANGE. ONCE
CONCLUDED, ORIGINAL OF GOP NOTE AND CERTIFIED COPY OF
EMBASSY NOTE SHOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO DEPARTMENT (CARE OF
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